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# *CIA prospers under Reagan*

Despite the critical rhetoric about the reckless abandon with which the Reagan administration conducts its foreign policy, Congress continues to support, to a large extent, activities of the CIA.

Under former President Jimmy Carter the CIA slipped to the low ebb of an intelligence comparable to the Oklahoma Highway Patrol.

We are not in agreement with everything done by the current administration, but we applaud its support of the CIA. Under the new leadership of William Casey, a WW II intelligence operative, the CIA has grown in stature and influence. U.S. News has a cover story in the current issue on effectiveness of the



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agency under Casey. Makes one real proud of the national purpose. We recommend you read the article.

In this world in which we live it must be recognized there's a lot of devilment out there. Turning the other cheek works fine in some in-

stances. But not in dealing with people whose aim is to undermine our form of government.

Counting on love and respect to help one in dealing with the communists is like turning the food stamp program over to Marie Antoinette.